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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AF UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

**Mail Stop AF AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated February 28, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period of response thereto extended by a Petition for One Month Extension of Time filed herewith to expire on June 30, 2008, and in conjunction with the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin at page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin at page 6 of this paper.